

REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application in view of the following remarks is requested. After entry of this reply, claims 133-134, 136-142, 144-150 and 152-189 are pending in the application. Claims 167 and 168 are amended.

Please note and record the change of Attorney Docket Number in this matter to: 119645.00103.12. Also note the Power of Attorney with Revocation filed February 27, 2007, appointing Blank Rome LLP, One Logan Square, 130 North 18th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103, having customer number 64574.

Applicants' undersigned representative would like to thank the Examiner for the courtesy of the telephone conference on June 11, 2007, to discuss the clarification requirements of the February 6, 2007, Office Action. The Examiner's time and cooperation are appreciated. Applicants' reply herein is in accordance with the teleconference.

In the Office Action dated February 6, 2007, the Examiner characterizes as unclear the status of claims 167 and 168, stating that although claims 167 and 168 of the most recent Response and Amendment, filed November 3, 2006, include the identifier "(currently amended)," there is a line drawn the numbers "167" and "168." The Examiner requires clarification and corrected claim amendments. The Office Action also includes, in the first paragraph of page 3, a statement that the Amendment filed on 3/28/06 is not fully responsive, as a clean copy of the Specification was not submitted, and a 35 USC 112, 2nd paragraph, rejection of claim 1 was not addressed.

Claim Amendments

Applicant submits that, in the Response and Amendment to the Office Action dated May 3, 2006 (filed November 3, 2006), claims 167 and 168 were intended for amendment, not

cancellation, as noted by the identifier “(currently amended).” The strike-through of the claim numbers was inadvertently transposed to the claim numbers during the intended claim amendment strike-through of the various deleted terms in each of claims 167 and 168. Applicants thank the Examiner for the opportunity to clarify this point. Accordingly, in this Response and Amendment, Applicants show claims 167 and 168 as “(currently amended)” for proper entry of the amendments intended for entry in the Response and Amendment filed November 3, 2006. All other claim amendments entered in the Response and Amendment filed November 3, 2006 are shown herein as “(previously presented),” as Applicants assume that those amendments were entered.

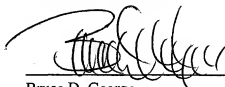
Regarding the requirements of the first paragraph of page 3 of the Office Action (i.e., that the Amendment filed on 3/28/06 was not fully responsive, as a clean copy of the Specification was not submitted, and that a 35 USC 112, 2nd paragraph, rejection of claim 1 was not addressed), Applicants are not responding herein, in accordance with the telephone conference of June 11, 2007, as no Applicant amendment was filed on 3/28/06. Further: 1) a clean copy of a Substitute Specification was noted as entered in paragraph 4 of page 2 of the Office Action dated February 6, 2007, to satisfy the previous Specification objection; 2) all previous 35 USC 112, 2nd paragraph, rejections were noted as satisfied in paragraph 6 of page 2 of the Office Action; and 3) a claim 1 is not currently pending in the present application.

Applicants’ representative requests that the Examiner, upon her further review and examination of this application, kindly contact the undersigned should any further clarification or formalities requirements exist, such as those noted in the first paragraph of page 3 of the Office Action. Perhaps the requirements can be satisfied by Examiner’s Amendment.

CONCLUSION

In light of the above amendments and remarks, Applicants submit that pending claims 133-134, 136-142, 144-150 and 152-189 are allowable, that the application is in condition for allowance, and request that the Examiner issue an early notice of allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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